

County of San Diego Waterfront Park

Hours of Operation

Park	6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Reflecting Pool	8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.*
Fountain Jets	10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.*

*12 p.m.-10 p.m. on non-holiday Mondays or Tuesdays following Monday holidays

A	GENERAL PARK RULES
A-1	Children 12 years and under must be supervised at all times.
A-2	Dogs must be on a leash (maximum 6' in length).
A-3	Dog waste must be picked up and disposed of in a trash receptacle.
A-4	No smoking. This includes e-cigarettes or other vaporizing products.
A-5	Do not rummage in trash or recycling receptacles.
A-6	Do not remove or disturb park vegetation or soil.
A-7	No sleeping or camping.
A-8	No glass bottles or containers without permit/reservation.
A-9	No shopping carts, trolley/carts or luggage carriers.
A-10	Recreational nets and canopies are allowed on grass.
A-11	Stakes for shade tents, canopies and similar items are permitted, however <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. No stakes in Civic Green 6. b. No stakes within 15 feet of fountains. c. No stakes within three feet of sprinkler heads. d. No stakes more than 16-inches long.
A-12	Please do not feed the wildlife.
A-13	No bicycles on playground surfaces. No skateboards, scooters, rollerblades, roller skates or stunt bikes anywhere (unless permitted).
A-14	Single or tandem in-line bicycles must not exceed safe speed.
A-15	No pedicabs, surreys or pedal-powered vehicles other than single or tandem in-line bicycles.
A-16	No motorized vehicles except disabled persons' accessibility equipment.
A-17	No organized sports practices or games.
A-18	No cleated shoes.
A-19	No application of sidewalk chalk or any other colored substance on surfaces.
A-20	All areas are first come, first serve unless there is a prior reservation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To ensure the use of an area, park patrons must remain in the desired space.
A-21	The following decorations are prohibited: hay bales, confetti, glitter, rice, bird seed, oil lamps, any open flame, and artificial flower petals.
A-22	No decorations may be attached to County property.
A-23	No begging or soliciting alms as described in Penal Code sec 647(c).
A-24	Playground equipment must be used according to posted rules.

B	PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR
B-1	Alcohol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Only allowed with area reservation and special permit. ➤ Never allowed in picnic areas.
B-2	Barbecuing, cooking, catering, glass containers.
B-3	The use of musical instruments, sound equipment or sound amplification devices that exceed the decibel limits in Rule D-4.
B-4	Using skateboards, scooters, rollerblades, roller skates or stunt bikes.
B-5	Recreational apparatus including but not limited to inflatable bounce structures, climbing structures, dunking machines, trampolines, portable swing sets, or any other similar device, mechanism or structure. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Only allowed with civic green reservation.
B-6	Groups of 100 or more people.
B-7	Performances with stages, chairs, or other apparatus.
B-8	The use or operation of motorized model planes (including drones), model boats or model vehicles.

C	FOUNTAIN AND SPLASH PAD RULES
C-1	No blocking, standing on, redirecting or sitting on fountain jets.
C-2	No food/eating in the fountains.
C-3	Swim diapers are required in the fountains for all non-potty trained children. Regular diapers are not permitted. (Swim diapers are available for purchase at the park office.)
C-4	Clothing must be worn in the fountains. Clothing worn in the fountains must not, when wet, expose those parts of the body described in the County Regulatory Code 32.1002 prohibiting public nudity.
C-5	No animals are allowed in fountains, with the exception of guide and service animal actively engaged in providing guide and service assistance.
C-6	Wheelchairs/walkers are permitted in the fountains; all other wheeled devices are prohibited.
C-7	Beach balls are allowed in fountains. No other toys are permitted.
C-8	No dirt, grass or sticks in the fountains.
C-9	No bubbles in the fountains.
C-10	Cleaning products, including soap and shampoo are not allowed in the fountains or washing station.
C-11	Persons having a communicable disease, infection, rash, cough, sores or discharges, or wearing bandages, shall not enter the fountain or splash pad unless, prior to entering the water, they provide Park staff with a current written statement signed by a licensed physician that the user does not present a health hazard to other users.

D	SPEECH, VENDING, COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES
D-1	<p>No commercial transactions, selling, vending or advertising without a permit.</p> <p>➤ Details: County Regulatory Code sec 41.136</p>
D-2	<p>Non-commercial speech and non-commercial expressive conduct other than vending (see D-3 below) is allowed anywhere in the park as long as it does not impede or obstruct pedestrian or vehicular traffic, cause congestion, prevent the use of or access to any building, facility or park feature in the manner for which it was designed and intended, exceed the limits of Rule B-6 (large groups), pose a potential danger to public health and safety, or violate the prohibition against begging or soliciting as described in Penal Code section 647(c).</p> <p>If the non-commercial speech or other expressive conduct does impede or obstruct pedestrian or vehicular traffic, and/or cause congestion, prevent the use of or access to any building, facility or park feature in the manner for which it was designed and intended, the persons engaging in such activity will be given the choice of designated free speech zones (FSZ) in which to conduct the activity. The size of the group must not exceed the capacity of the FSZ. Groups of more than 100 people must obtain a permit.</p>
D-3	<p>The vending of inherently communicative items with no more than nominal utility apart from communication is allowed only in the Waterfront Park designated Free Speech Zones.</p> <p>➤ Although an item may have some expressive purpose, it will be deemed to have more than nominal utility apart from its communication if it has a common and dominant non-expressive purpose. Examples include, but are not limited to housewares, appliances, clothing, sunglasses, oils, incense, perfume, lotions, candles, jewelry, toys, and stuffed animals.</p>
D-4	<p>Sound amplification – A permit is required for sound amplification devices or equipment that exceeds 60 decibels 25 feet from the source. The permit issued for the use of sound amplification may designate any area of the park as the permitted location for the use of the sound amplification equipment and the maximum decibel limit allowed by the permit.</p>